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#### THE ANTI-IMPERIAL LEAGUE.

The Anti-Imperial League, although comparatively small in numbers, includes some of the brainest men in the country. It is doubtful if any other prolitical organization of the present or past has ever borne upon its rolls so large a proportion of the names of men who have achieved enthence in public, life. In fact the distinguishing characteristic of the league, so far as the public has been made acquaented with it, is that it has a much greater array of leaders than followers; more men who have been accustoned to lead by the divine right of superior ability than of those whase natural habit is to be led. George F. Edmunds, George F. Hoar, George S. Boutwell, Carl Schurz have all been, and one of them still remains, among the most consplcuous members of the United States Senate. Two of them have served the republic in the Cabinet successfully and honorably. Other statesmen of good repute and several distinguished educators are enlisted in the anti-expansion canse. It must, therefore, be conceded that the league is not lacking in respectability: that isovever misstaken its policy may be, its members are above suspicion as to motives; that however sharply their plans and purposes may clash with the general trend of sentiment, they are still lovers of their country and have the moral courage to stand up, in face of represented that the good of the republic.

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and derision, to contend for what they believe to be for the good of the republic.

The Post has expressed the belief that millions of good Americans—perhaps a majority—would be glad to have our position as to the Philippines put back to the ante-beltum status, if that were practicable—if it could be accomplished without any sacrifice of national honor through describin of national duty. The Post has carefully scanned the publications of the league and the speeches delivered by its members to discover by what means they proposed to get the United States out of the Philippines. At the convention in Chicago last week Carl Schurz made the following proposition:

"Let there be at once an armistice between our forces and the Fillipines. Let the Philippine islanders at the same time be told that the American people will be glad to see them establish an independent government, and to aid them in that task as far as may be necessary; that if the different tribes composing the population of the Philippines are disposed, as at least most of them, if not all, are likely to be, to attach themselves in some way to the government already existing under the presidency of Aguinaldo, we shall cheerfully accept that solution of the question, and even, if required, lend our good offices to boring it about; and that meanwile we shall deem it our duty to protect them against interference from other foreign powers."

It is assumed that the President, in his message to Congress, will recommend the establishment of the authority of the United States in the Phillippines by the employment of all "the force that may be neceded, that it be maintained permanently, that the civil government follow the milliary at the earliest possible moment, and that wide latitude be allowed the natives in local self-government."—Washington Post.

Of course the Post opposes Schurz, this great American associates and his

Of course the Post opposes Schurz his great American associates and his scheme, and stands by McKinley and his plan; yet THE VIRGINIAN. PILOT, being American and Virginian antus et in cute, and Democratic in fact and name, approves Mr. Schurz's proposal as at least American and and in recognition of the rights of men and nations, and opposes McKinley's as the formula of cruel and absolute tyranny, abhorred of God and man, utter negation and violation of everything American, Virginian and Democratic ever proclaimed in this country by our statesmen and ratified by our people.

Russia wants some American gold for seal fishers. Now, maybe, the far will fly.

John Bull is having some exercise in

The Peace Conference should have adjourned to Africa.

HONEST MARTIN MEN OBJECT.

A very warm personal and politica friend of Senator Martin has expressed his sincere regrets that the Executive

other point by improper means; or increased their cash account out of their or free and unlimited and unsecured is neighbor's pocket.

Mr. Martin's friends (excepting office- Treasury notes, the complete demoneholders), not a man can be found who tization of silver-money (silver only will endorse the Executive Committee in its disfranchisement of the people. We state this as a proposition open for discussion and solicit the views and names of such of Mr. Martin's friends as will dispute it.

These men admire Mr. Martin, but they love the party more, honesty more, than all else, and will tolerate nothing but fair dealing. Some of them operate upon the principle that "politics make strange bed-fellows," and if they tolerate unfair dealings in behalf of a friend now, it may be used against a friend in the future. One may accept of the ill gotten fruits of the thief, but he will watch the thief in the future.

So it is that the Executive Commit tees and the office-holders will have to answer to three classes of people in candidate for President, and says he the future, and one of those classes re-ceived the benefits of their work.

#### WHY?

There are two things we are particularly anxious to know

First, who is responsible for depriving the Democrats of a primary?

After that is answered, will the know ing ones devulge further any say: Why did not the office-holders, the "people's servants," who "love to their bidding" at election times, let

their voices be heard against such imposition upon the people. That is a grave question asked by the Washington Post, if our schoolteachers are earning their money, doing their duty, and living up to their re sponsibilities for their pupils. The occa-

sion of the question is a suit for damages against a business college by a father, who alleges that he sent his son, for four years, to the college, paid their own making, and a Democratic taught nothing,-having been entirely neglected, though encouraging reports 1896, with the distinct design to defeat of the lad's progress were regularly forwarded to the father by the college. That is a great evil under the Sun, and it a frequent one; but if the re-

sponsibility of the teachers of a boy is great, how immense must be the responsibility of a nation, or President, or administration that voluntarily asto "prepare" them for self-govern-

It is too great a trust, too great a responsibility, too great a task, to be undertaken by any people or nation for another,-as every people must work

The pretense that by favoring the ratification of the treaty of peace with essity of "grandfather" clauses: and Spain, Mr. Bryan endorsed McKinley's the suggestion is worth considering for war on the Filipinos, or made himself other reasons, if our suffrage is to be particeps criminis in that war with limited, and not "universal." McKinley, is as false as to assert that

says there are no more trusts,-only corporations, which are good boiled, baked, roasted, stewed, or fried, She will haste any trust she can catch to a cinder; but call 'em corporations and they are all right, good for any stomach, properly done-and Hanna will be sure to "do" 'em.

The dear, dear, good people want you to talk to them about the primary they never got, before you commence making love

The Washington Post, as a blind to

the people, says:

"Not until after the next Presidential "Not until after the next Presidential election will that gigantic banking scheme be broached again. And The Post is willing to venture the prediction that a number of Presidential elections will be required to give it any considerable degree of virility."

form," proposes free national banking, suing of national bank-notes, on credit We assert it as a fact, that out of the withdrawal of greenbacks and all was demonetized in 1873, as the act was amended in 1878-not silver-money), the continued prohibition of Issues by State banks, and the government to coin or issue no money but gold coin, which, being uncurrent for many reasons, leaves the banks the monopoly of our money and currency.

This is a terrible prospect for the people; but it is already prepared for them; and if the present Congress hesttate at perpetrating so enormous a villany, it will surely be done by the next Congress, if the Republicans triumph in 1900 as the servile tools of the money and banking power. Remember this!

Mr. W. C. Whitney, one of the Oliy Gammons of Trusts, Gold and Parties, wants to nominate the next Democratic candidate for President, and says he can name the man who is "a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland, and that he "is a platform in himself." The man is Grover Cleveland. "Yours truly, "Consul General of Venezuela." "Yours truly, "Consul General of Venezuela." the reason the Democrats will not have him at any price. Twice elected President, as alleged candidate of the Dem ocratic people, he paid no attention to their platform in either case and made platforms of his own, out of his own head, with the advice and assistance bath! of the same money and office trust that had got control of the organizations, or ruling rings, of both partles, and to which it was a matter of indifference which party was victor, as the President in either case was their man.

No doubt the same trust would like to put up Cleveland again, as it would suit it equally, in its trust and money schemes, to have either him or McKin-ley, as both have served it with emulative zeal and devotion; but Democrats want a Democratic platform, of candidate of their own choosing, and so and oppose the money and office trust

O, H. Blocker, of North Carolina, suggests, in a note in the N. Y. Tribune, that the XV. Amendment the Federal Constitution be amended so as to read as follows:

administration that voluntarily assumes, or purchases, or seizes, the tutelage of a nation of 10,000,000 of people, to "prepare" them for self-government, liberty and independence!

It is too great a trust, too great a result of the united states, or by any State, on account of servitude."

The proposed amendment is in the small caps. Mr. Blocker says:

another,—as every people must work cut their destiny for themselves, and when the trustee begins the tutelage by selzing the property, denying the freedom and waging war upon the lives of his national pupils, it is proof positive that he is unfit for the task in any case.

The pretense that by favoring the This would sale leave local State government with the States and preserve to the negro his national legacy. Sometimes a simple remedy will go far in the loyalty of the white people of the South is fully established now."

This would sale and these seven words and the "white man's burden" would be lightened and the negro's peace established so far as politics troubles him. This would leave local State government with the States and preserve to the loyalty of the white people of the South is fully established now."

This would at least preclude the nec

particeps eriminis in that war with McKinley, is as false as to assert that all men who favored the peaceable inauguration of McKinley became responsible for his election and all his subsequent acts of administration. Mr. Bryan wanted peace and some of the concessions of the treaty; and he thought we could better deal with the Filipinos, according to American tradition, principle, policy, law and duty, without Spain's interference, and for these reasons he favored ratification. But he was all the time for the freedom and independence of the islands and their inhabitants and, above all, opposed to a cruel and bloody war upon them.

It is the way in which McKinley has abused us and the Filipinos under the treaty that Mr. Bryan and all good American citizens arradign him for. He has incited and provoked war where he should have avoided it by every honorable means of conciliation, and to say that he had no option, no instructions, but a brute force to be employed for the say that he had no option, no instructions, but a brute force to be employed forcions, which are good boiled.

Aunt Hamm, McKinley's Ohio cook, Says there are no more trusts,—only superportations, which are good boiled.

Lord Paramount Harrison, ex-President of the builty religion of its United States, has been partentizing the royalties of Europe, and, all last accounts, he was in London, according to American tradication. But he was in the time for the free done and independence of the islands and their inhabitants and, above all, on the feel of the precipit of the functions of the Queen and the flunkéys with solemn, but a brute force, and for the free done and for the free done are flunkeys with solemn, and the full proposed to a cruel and bloody war upon them.

An exchange says:

"Had it not been for his receipts his charge and the big rings and the big rings and the last states, has been partentizing the royalties of

Let us hope that he was able to sign "his receipts" in a legible, if post-humous hand.

Is it possible that there is in Tenessee a so-called "Literary Gazette" which prints such bosh as the following, or is a libel, or parody? Read-if you can:

committees should have acted so arbitrarily in this campaign.

Said he: "The partiality operated in my favor this time, but I object to the principle, since it is wrong and will breed discontent in the party, and very justly so."

It is already broached for the next session of Congress by the banks and bankers, their associations and trusts, by the capitalists and their press and by Secretary Gage, of the Treasury, and of course, by McKinley, whom Gage those favoring Mr. Tyler, those opposed to Mr. Martin, and those favoring a Senatorial Primary, have been summarily disfranchised and are dissatisfied.

But there is a class yet that the committee has not reckoned with. It is the honest Martin voter, who while favoring Mr. Martin, would not elect him by dishonest and disfranchisement any more than they would have carried any other point by improper means; or increased their cash account out of the content of the created and urged as "banking reform," proposes free national banking.

Scheme be broached again. And The Post is willing to venture the prediction willing to venture the prediction will be required to give it any considerable degree of virility."

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But there is a class yet that the committee has not reckoned with. It is the honest Martin voter, who while favoring Mr. Martin, would not elect him creased their cash account out of the full endorsement of popular approval.

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It is already broached for the next sum. To-day the

Since killing out the numerous wild animals that formerly ranged through the Transvaal, the Boers have largely lost the fine marksmanship for which they were once famous, as is very apparent in the results of their battles with the English in the present war. It is unnecessary and wholly uncalled for, to question the courage of so brave a people. Oom Paul is said to have had a fight with a grown lion, which he killed with his own hand. That was a bold deed; but heroism for liberty and independence has rarely had so daring an example as the present attack of the Boers upon the British lion, in his den so to speak.

Gen. Harrison may yet see something of that \$100,000 Venezuelan fee, prom-sied him as counsel in the Boundary Arbitration, if the following, which appeared in a New York paper, be true;

"New York, Oct. 20, 1899."

Mny be with that fee in pocket, the ex-President would not be quious to dignitaries and millionaires

It's remarkable that people should suddenly commence breaking the Sab-

Which one of the politicians is going to take the responsibility of depriving Norfolk of a primary?

What is a "boomerang?" Go ask the politicians who killed the primary.

There is always a spasm of virtue just before election time.

Free silver and gold stand hand in hand in defence of personal rights.

Democracy, honor, right of suffrage and freedom run hand in hand.

General Otis ought to censor himself out of the papers.

### OPINIONS OF THE PRESS THE SENATORIAL RACE.

HE DOESN'T NEED TO.

(South Boston News.)

last we are informed that Senator in has positively decided not to At last we are informed that Senator Martin has positively decided not to take the stump in the present campaign. Ha, ha! Which a sad disappointment is this to the people who have been hoping to hear the eloquent clarion voice of our Junior Senator. And just to think that this great oratio and wonderful statesman has positively and emphatically decided not to hanot the dear people whom he aspires to represent (?) with the exalted privileg of hearing bim champion their right on the huntlings. But no, Some of these who are nearest to Senator Martin say he can do better and more reflective work on other lines that by aking the stump, Of cours Martin's forte. He knows taking the stump. Of course, that's Martin's forte. He knows how it Martin's forte. He knows how it handle the Machine all right. This is can do as effectually as did Mahone during his regime. But Martin would not dare to face the people with hi claims for their support, for he well knows that he has never done anything for the people to merit their support. But he stands in with the little ring and the big rings, and he has been quitbusy purting in "effective work" in the form of isguing rations of pan to such sevents with the little ring and the big rings.

THE SENATORIAL RACE. (Wytheville Sentinel.)

"His receipts" in a legible, if posthumous hand.

Because people rail at our county
roads don't necessarily make them railroads.

The people were not consulted in the
Legislative election—we wonder if they
will be needed next spring.

There will likely be a revival amongst
the office-holders just before election.

(Wytheville Sentinel.)

The Dispatch asserts that should
McGaveck be elected he could do very
little toward the election of Tyker to
the United States Senate, and gives
as its reason that the nominee of the
Democratic caucus would be Martin's
will nonstate Martin for re-election,
but suppose enough regular Democratic
Tyler men and Independents were
elected (which is very probable), to
control hoth branches of the Legislaure on joint bullet—how would that



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